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MOTION BY MAYOR MICHAEL D. ANTONOVICH

SEPTEMBER 5, 2006

Southern California Edison has submitted an application to the State of California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) to construct additional high-power transmission lines and towers from Tehachapi to Los Angeles. In order to reach Los Angeles the proposed power lines and towers must be located in the Antelope Valley and Santa Clarita Valley.

Edison submitted a proposed alignment for the project. The California Environmental Quality Act mandates that an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) identify "alternatives" to a proposed project. In this case several alternative alignments were identified. One alternative, suggested by the United States Forest Service, is known as "Alternative 5." The location of Alternative 5, which impacts property-owners in Acton, Agua Dulce, Antelope Acres, and Leona Valley, was not made available to the public until very recently.

The Public Utilities Commission has the authority to modify the term of the public comment period. The comment period is set to end on September 18, 2006. Because the alignment identified as Alternative 5 was not presented until very recently, the comment period should be extended to provide the public with sufficient time to review this proposed alignment.

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I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors:

- Send a five-signature letter to the State of California Public Utilities Commission requesting that the comment period be extended for an additional 60 days.
- Direct the Director of Regional Planning and the Director of Public Works to review all proposed alignments, identify potentially adverse impacts upon residents, business-owners, and property-owners, and report back to the Board prior to the close of the CPUC's public comment period.

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